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SUBJECT: LOMBO LO MANGAMANGA

1. LOMBO LO MANGAMANGA (LOUIS) HAS BEEN CHOSEN TO BE THE NEW ZAIRIAN AMBASSADOR TO RABAT. HE IS LEAVING THE POSITION OF DIRECTOR GENERAL OF THE DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS. HE HAS HAD A VARIED AND PROMINENT CAREER IN THE ZAIRIAN DIPLOMATIC SERVICE.

2. LOMBO LO MANGAMANGA IS 47 YEARS OLD AND WAS BORN IN BANDUNDU PROVINCE, ZAIRE. HE IS MARRIED AND HAS AT LEAST 7 CHILDREN.

3. LOMBO HAS HAD A LONG AND VARIED CAREER IN GOVERNMENT SERVICE. BEFORE INDEPENDENCE AND IN THE PERIOD IMMEDIATELY AFTERWARDS HE SERVED IN SEVERAL CAPACITIES IN THE KINSHASA GOVERNMENT. 1963 APPEARS TO MARK THE BEGINNINGS OF HIS DIPLOMATIC CAREER. IN THAT YEAR HE HELPED TO NEGOTIATE THE RETURN OF TWO MAJOR BELGIAN MILITARY BASES IN ZAIRE TO THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE ZAIRIAN GOVERNMENT. IN 1964 HE PARTICIPATED IN NEGOTIATIONS IN CAIRO TOWARDS RESTITUTION OF GOLD SENT FROM STANLEYVILLE AND THE FIRST UNCTAD CONFERENCE IN GENEVA. HE SERVED IN RWANDA IN 1965 AS CHARGE D'AFFAIRS. AFTER THAT POST HE SERVED AS MINISTER-COUNSELOR IN PARIS (1/67-3/68), MINISTER-COUNSELOR IN BRUSSELS (4/68-6/70) AMBASSADOR TO THE
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HAGUE (9/70-2/71), SECRETARY GENERAL DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS (2/71-7/72), AMBASSADOR TO THE U.S. (7/72-9/73), AMBASSADOR TO ARGENTINA (12/73-2/76) AND MOST RECENTLY DIRECTOR GENERAL OF THE DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS WHICH IS THE SECOND HIGHEST POST IN THAT DEPARTMENT.

4. LOMBO CARRIES THE RANK OF MINISTER PLENIPOTENTIARY FIRST

CLASS. HE IS THOUGHT TO HAVE THE CONFIDENCE OF BOTH THE
PRESIDENT AND FOREIGN MINISTER, NGUZA.

5. LOMBO IS THOUGHT TO BE A PLEASANT, DECENT SORT OF MAN
AND HE IS ALSO CONSIDERED TO BE RELATIVELY HONEST. PREVIOUS
EMBASSY OFFICERS HAVE CHARACTERIZED HIM AS A CAPABLE HARD
WORKER BUT "NO BALL OF FIRE."

6. LOMBO IS THOUGHT TO BE WELL DISPOSED TOWARD THE
UNITED STATES AND HAS BEEN COOPERATIVE WITH AMERICANS
IN THE PAST.
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